

Abstract of the Disclosure

5 The need to facilitate wireless presence-based services more efficiently
is addressed by embodiments of the present invention. In general, a wireless
presence proxy (WPP) (131) caches presence updates (such as buddy list
presence updates) from a presence server (161) for a mobile station (MS)
(101). The WPP maintains presence information, which reflects the presence
updates received, for transfer to the MS when an update condition exists.
10 Thus, updates are made when, for example, a resource-efficient condition is
present, such as the assignment of a traffic channel for other call activity. The
WPP also updates the presence server, on behalf of the MS, when the MS
presence status changes. In this manner, the embodiments described are
able to reduce the system resources required to facilitate wireless presence-
15 based services.